

SB 818 -- AVIATION TRUST FUND

This bill adds airport business plans and strategic plans at existing airports to the permissible airport planning projects that may be paid for with moneys from the Aviation Trust Fund.

Currently, if at least \$6 million is deposited into the fund in the previous calendar year, up to \$2 million may be expended annually for the study or promotion of expanded domestic or international scheduled commercial service, the study or promotion of intrastate scheduled commercial service, or to assist airport sponsors participating in a federally funded air service program supporting intrastate scheduled commercial service. The bill changes that provision to specify that if at least \$4.5 million is deposited into the fund in the previous calendar year, no more than \$2 million may be spent for the study or promotion of expanded domestic or international scheduled commercial service, the study or promotion of intrastate scheduled commercial service, the promotion of aviation in the state, or to assist airport sponsors participating in a federally funded air service program supporting intrastate scheduled commercial service in any calendar year and the State Highways and Transportation Commission must be required to expend at least \$4 million of the annual deposits into the fund for purposes other than those specified.